A sunny start to the school holidays

22 July 2014 - The start of the school summer holidays is heralded by a period of dry weather across much of the UK, with good spells of sunshine, patchy cloud and temperatures staying just above average for many.

There is a chance of thundery showers, but the signs are currently that a settled pattern with high pressure may well continue to dominate for several days to come.

Eddy Carroll, Chief Meteorologist at the Met Office, said: "The rest of July will see temperatures into the mid to high twenties in places and, although there is a risk of showers, for most the fine, largely dry and warm weather looks like it could well persist into August."

The Met Office's 'Great British Summer' web pages are full of ideas, useful tips and information aimed at helping you make the most of the summer holidays, whatever the weather. You can choose activities that suit your mood - whether you want to relax, be active, explore or entertain. You can also find a wide range of unique information varying from places to visit, to fun activities and even top beach safety tips.

The pages have been developed with a range of partners and give easy access to Met Office weather forecasts and warnings, helping you plan your day and make the most of all the UK has to offer this summer.

Check our weather app for localised, detailed up to date forecasts wherever and whenever you want.

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